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Latch Assembly for Damper

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 13, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin at Page 2 of this communication.

Remarks begin at Page 13 of this communication.